

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled PEPTIDES REPRESENTING EPITOPIC SITES FOR BACTERIAL AND VIRAL MENINGITIS CAUSING AGENTS AND THEIR CARRIERS, ANTIBODIES THEREOF, AND USES THEREOF, the specification of which (check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on January 24, 2000 Application Serial No.: 09/489,850

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119 (a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Foreign Filing Date</u> <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
			<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
None				

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

<u>Provisional</u> <u>Appln. Serial No(s).</u>	<u>Filing Date</u> <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>	<u>Status (patented, pending, abandoned)</u>
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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